

owner had to do, in my view, is to get the car towed. And if they have an expense in towing that car, they could bring some kind of small claim against the owner of the vehicle and perhaps get reimbursement for it. It seems to me that that may be an appropriate safeguard. The other thing that occurs to me, and I'm not sure of the state of the law, I didn't hear the hearing, I know that there are the mechanisms called "rhino boots" that are put on cars that are parked supposedly illegally. You don't have to tow the car. You attach something to the wheels so that the car can't be moved. I know that's been done by certain places. It would seem to me that would be a more moderate approach to take, to put on a boot or some...to keep the car from being moved and then they can determine why that car was parked there. What troubles me is the indiscriminate towing that goes on and, believe it or not, there are numerous examples where people park in a particular place for legitimate reasons, get their car towed and then are faced with having to pay some kind of fee, towing fee, that they may not legitimately owe. I am always...I've always been waiting for someone to particularly challenge the particular provisions or the procedure whereby lot owners had cars towed without just cause...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: ...because it seems to me you're really taking someone's property without due process of law, without any hearing or any inquiry as to whether there was cause or reason for that particular person to be parking in a particular area and, as I related to you, just some of the circumstances where cars have been towed without cause whatsoever and I think there are numerous other ones. And I think before we rush into approving some kind of blanket resolution and blanket provision like this, we should say, what are the alternatives that the person has right now? What alternatives does the lot owner have in enforcing the provisions or restrictions on their lot? Our senators' lot, for example, has a little mechanism out there. We have a card. We can get in and we can get out and we don't have any real trouble with people parking in that lot, that I know of. It seems to me there are other alternatives that lot owners can use or that organizations can use to take care of this problem without having to indiscriminately tow cars when there may or may not be reason for such towing. I thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Chambers, please, then Senator